

Earlham College



### **About This Report**

## **About Your Engagement Indicators Report**

Engagement Indicators (EIs) provide a useful summary of the detailed information contained in your students' NSSE responses. By combining responses to related NSSE questions, each EI offers valuable information about a distinct aspect of student engagement. Ten indicators, based on three to eight survey questions each (a total of 47 survey questions), are organized into four broad themes as shown at right.

Engagement Indicator
Higher-Order Learning
Reflective & Integrative Learning
Learning Strategies
Quantitative Reasoning
Collaborative Learning
Discussions with Diverse Others
Student-Faculty Interaction
Effective Teaching Practices
Quality of Interactions
Supportive Environment

### **Report Sections**

Overview (p. 3)

Displays how average EI scores for your students compare with those of students at your comparison group institutions.

Theme Reports (pp. 4-13)

Detailed views of EI scores within the four themes for your students and those at comparison group institutions. Three views offer varied insights into your EI scores:

#### Mean Comparisons

Straightforward comparisons of average scores between your students and those at comparison group institutions, with tests of significance and effect sizes (see below).

#### Score Distributions

Box-and-whisker charts show the variation in scores within your institution and comparison groups.

#### Performance on Indicator Items

Responses to each item in a given EI are summarized for your institution and comparison groups.

Comparisons with High-Performing Institutions (p. 15) Comparisons of your students' average scores on each EI with those of students at institutions whose average scores were in the top 50% and top 10% of 2017 and 2018 participating institutions.

Detailed Statistics (pp. 16-19)

Detailed information about EI score means, distributions, and tests of statistical significance.

#### **Interpreting Comparisons**

Mean comparisons report both statistical significance and effect size. Effect size indicates the practical importance of an observed difference. For EI comparisons, NSSE research has concluded that an effect size of about .1 may be considered small, .3 medium, and .5 large (Rocconi & Gonyea, 2015). Comparisons with an effect size of at least .3 in magnitude (before rounding) are highlighted in the Overview (p. 3).

Els vary more among students within an institution than between institutions, like many experiences and outcomes in higher education. As a result, focusing attention on average scores alone amounts to examining the tip of the iceberg. It's equally important to understand how student engagement varies within your institution. Score distributions indicate how El scores vary among your students and those in your comparison groups. The Report Builder and your *Major Field Report* (both to be released in the fall) offer valuable perspectives on internal variation and help you investigate your students' engagement in depth.

#### **How Engagement Indicators are Computed**

Each EI is scored on a 60-point scale. To produce an indicator score, the response set for each item is converted to a 60-point scale (e.g., Never = 0; Sometimes = 20; Often = 40; Very often = 60), and the rescaled items are averaged. Thus a score of zero means a student responded at the bottom of the scale for every item in the EI, while a score of 60 indicates responses at the top of the scale on every item.

For more information on EIs and their psychometric properties, refer to the NSSE website: nsse.indiana.edu

Rocconi, L., & Gonyea, R. M. (2015, May). Contextualizing student engagement effect sizes: An empirical analysis. Paper presented at the Association for Institutional Research Annual Forum. Denver. CO.



## Overview Earlham College

## **Engagement Indicators: Overview**

**Engagement Indicator** 

Higher-Order Learning

Engagement Indicators are summary measures based on sets of NSSE questions examining key dimensions of student engagement. The ten indicators are organized within four broad themes: Academic Challenge, Learning with Peers, Experiences with Faculty, and Campus Environment. The tables below compare average scores for your students with those in your comparison groups.

Your first-year students

compared with

Peers on Selectivity

Your first-year students

compared with

More Selective Group

Your first-year students

compared with

NSSE 2017 & 2018

Use the following key:

**First-Year Students** 

Theme

**Your students' average** was significantly higher (p < .05) with an effect size at least .3 in magnitude.

**Your students' average** was significantly higher (p < .05) with an effect size less than .3 in magnitude.

-- No significant difference.

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Academic	Reflective & Integrative Learning			
Challenge	Learning Strategies		$\mathbf{V}$	
	Quantitative Reasoning		V	
Learning with	Collaborative Learning			Δ
Peers	Discussions with Diverse Others	Δ	Δ	
Experiences	Student-Faculty Interaction			Δ
with Faculty	Effective Teaching Practices			
Campus	Quality of Interactions			
Environment	Supportive Environment			Δ
niors		Your seniors compared with	Your seniors compared with	Your seniors compared with
		compared with	compared with	compared with
Theme	Engagement Indicator	Peers on Selectivity	More Selective Group	NSSE 2017 & 2018
Theme	Higher-Order Learning	•	•	•
Academic		Peers on Selectivity	More Selective Group	NSSE 2017 & 2018
	Higher-Order Learning	Peers on Selectivity	More Selective Group	NSSE 2017 & 2018
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Academic Challenge Learning with Peers Experiences	Higher-Order Learning Reflective & Integrative Learning Learning Strategies Quantitative Reasoning Collaborative Learning	Peers on Selectivity	More Selective Group	NSSE 2017 & 2018
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## Academic Challenge Earlham College

### **Academic Challenge: First-year students**

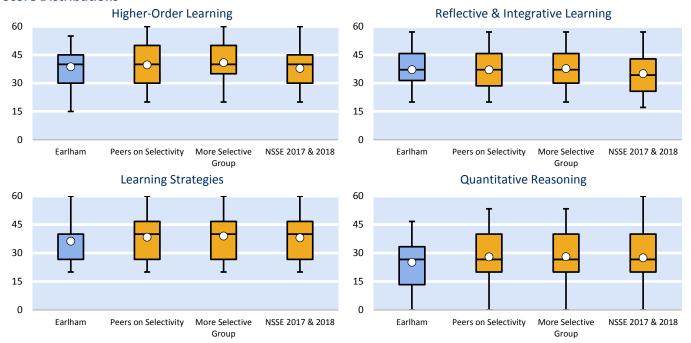
Challenging intellectual and creative work is central to student learning and collegiate quality. Colleges and universities promote student learning by challenging and supporting them to engage in various forms of deep learning. Four Engagement Indicators are part of this theme: *Higher-Order Learning, Reflective & Integrative Learning, Learning Strategies,* and *Quantitative Reasoning*. Below and on the next page are three views of your results alongside those of your comparison groups.

#### **Mean Comparisons**

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	Earlham Peers on Selectivity		Selectivity	tivity More Selective Group		NSSE 20	17 & 2018	
			Effect		Effect		Effect	
Engagement Indicator	Mean	Mean	size	Mean	size	Mean	size	
Higher-Order Learning	38.7	39.7	09	40.9 *	19	37.8	.06	
Reflective & Integrative Learning	37.1	37.1	.01	37.8	05	35.1	.18	
Learning Strategies	36.2	38.4	16	38.9 *	21	38.0	13	
Quantitative Reasoning	25.2	28.0 *	19	28.1 *	20	27.5	15	

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		Percentage point	difference <sup>a</sup> between you	ır FY students and
Higher Order Learning		Peers on	More Selective	NSSE 2017 &
Higher-Order Learning	Earlham	Selectivity	Group	2018
Percentage responding "Very much" or "Quite a bit" about how much coursework emphasized	%		_	
4b. Applying facts, theories, or methods to practical problems or new situations	69	-6	-9	-2
4c. Analyzing an idea, experience, or line of reasoning in depth by examining its parts	76	+0	-4	+6
4d. Evaluating a point of view, decision, or information source	78	+4	+4	+9
4e. Forming a new idea or understanding from various pieces of information	74	+1	-2	+6
Reflective & Integrative Learning				
Percentage of students who responded that they "Very often" or "Often"				
2a. Combined ideas from different courses when completing assignments	52	-2	-3	+1
2b. Connected your learning to societal problems or issues	63	+2	+0	+11
2c. Included diverse perspectives (political, religious, racial/ethnic, gender, etc.) in course discussions or assignments	67	+7	+7	+16
2d. Examined the strengths and weaknesses of your own views on a topic or issue	65	-2	-2	+2
Tried to better understand someone else's views by imagining how an issue looks from his or her perspective	80	+6	+6	+10
2f. Learned something that changed the way you understand an issue or concept	68	-3	-7	+1
2g. Connected ideas from your courses to your prior experiences and knowledge	82	-2	-4	+4
Learning Strategies				
Percentage of students who responded that they "Very often" or "Often"				
9a. Identified key information from reading assignments	86	+2	-1	+10
9b. Reviewed your notes after class	51	-10	-9	-14
9c. Summarized what you learned in class or from course materials	56	-7	-5	-7
Quantitative Reasoning				
Percentage of students who responded that they "Very often" or "Often"				
Reached conclusions based on your own analysis of numerical information (numbers, graphs, statistics, etc.)	47	-5	-6	-5
6b. Used numerical information to examine a real-world problem or issue (unemployment, climate change, public health, etc.)	34	-6	-4	-5
6c. Evaluated what others have concluded from numerical information	34	-9	-8	-5

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## **Academic Challenge: Seniors**

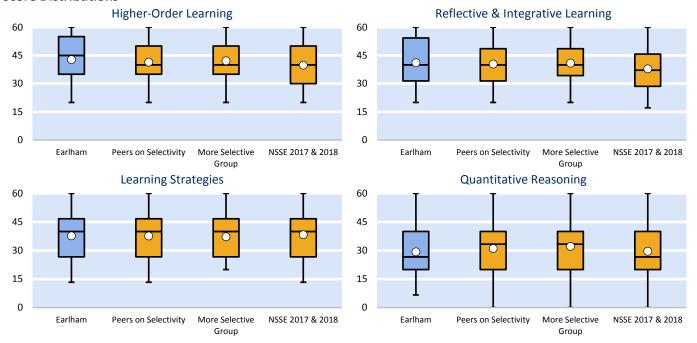
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			Effect		Effect		Effect	
Engagement Indicator	Mean	Mean	size	Mean	size	Mean	size	
Higher-Order Learning	42.8	41.5	.11	42.1	.06	39.8	.22	
Reflective & Integrative Learning	41.1	40.4	.06	40.9	.02	37.8 *	.26	
Learning Strategies	37.7	37.6	.01	37.1	.04	38.3	04	
Quantitative Reasoning	29.3	31.0	11	32.1	17	29.6	02	

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Higher-Order Learning	Earlham	Peers on Selectivity	More Selective Group	NSSE 2017 & 2018
Percentage responding "Very much" or "Quite a bit" about how much coursework emphasized		Selectivity	ч	2016
4b. Applying facts, theories, or methods to practical problems or new situations	% 81	+2	+1	+1
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4c. Analyzing an idea, experience, or line of reasoning in depth by examining its parts	76	-4	-6	+1
4d. Evaluating a point of view, decision, or information source	74	-2	-4	+4
4e. Forming a new idea or understanding from various pieces of information	83	+8	+6	+12
Reflective & Integrative Learning				
Percentage of students who responded that they "Very often" or "Often"				
2a. Combined ideas from different courses when completing assignments	65	-10	-10	-4
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Percentage of students who responded that they "Very often" or "Often"				
9a. Identified key information from reading assignments	86	+1	-1	+8
9b. Reviewed your notes after class	45	-7	-1	-16
9c. Summarized what you learned in class or from course materials	56	-4	-0	-7
Quantitative Reasoning				
Percentage of students who responded that they "Very often" or "Often"				
Reached conclusions based on your own analysis of numerical information (numbers, graphs, statistics, etc.)	46	-10	-11	-9
Used numerical information to examine a real-world problem or issue (unemployment, climate change, public health, etc.)	44	( -1 :	<b>↓</b> -3	+0
6c. Evaluated what others have concluded from numerical information	40	-12	-15	-4

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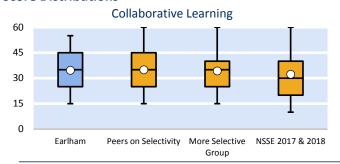
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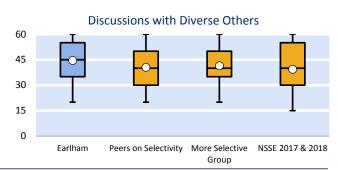
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	Earlham	Peers on :	Selectivity	More Sele	ctive Group	NSSE 2017	7 & 2018
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Engagement Indicator	Mean	Mean	size	Mean	size	Mean	size
Collaborative Learning	34.7	34.9	02	34.3	.03	32.3 *	.16
Discussions with Diverse Others	44.5	40.5 **	.29	41.4 *	.24	39.4 ***	.33

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Collaborative Learning	Earlham	Selectivity	Group	2018
Percentage of students who responded that they "Very often" or "Often"	%			_
1e. Asked another student to help you understand course material	57	-0	-1	+5
1f. Explained course material to one or more students	59	-3	-3	+2
1g. Prepared for exams by discussing or working through course material with other students	57	+0	+1	+7
1h. Worked with other students on course projects or assignments	67	+5	+11	+13
Discussions with Diverse Others				
Percentage of students who responded that they "Very often" or "Often" had discussions with				
8a. People from a race or ethnicity other than your own	89	+18	+12	+19
8b. People from an economic background other than your own	82	+5	+4	+10
8c. People with religious beliefs other than your own	82	+14	+9	+16
8d. People with political views other than your own	56	-7	-2	-10

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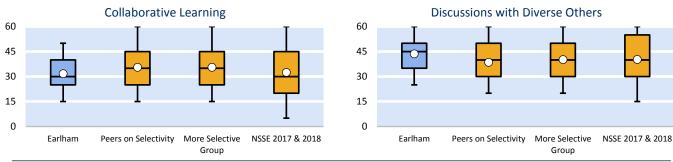
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	Mean	Mean	size	Mean	size	Mean	size
Collaborative Learning	31.7	35.6 *	30	35.6 *	29	32.5	05
Discussions with Diverse Others	43.7	38.6 **	.38	40.2 *	.27	40.3 *	.21

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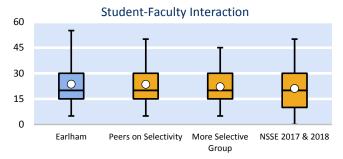
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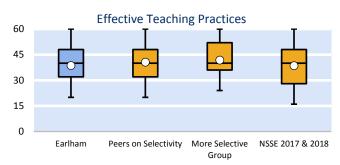
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Student-Faculty Interaction	23.6	23.5	.00	22.1	.11	21.1 *	.17		
Effective Teaching Practices	38.6	40.6	17	41.7 **	28	38.5	.01		

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3a. Talked about career plans with a faculty member	30	-8	+2	-6
$3b. \ \ Worked \ w/faculty \ on \ activities \ other \ than \ coursework \ (committees, \ student \ groups, \ etc.)$	20	-3	+1	-1
3c. Discussed course topics, ideas, or concepts with a faculty member outside of class	31	-1	-4	+5
3d. Discussed your academic performance with a faculty member	33	-1	+4	+3
Effective Teaching Practices				
Percentage responding "Very much" or "Quite a bit" about how much instructors have				
5a. Clearly explained course goals and requirements	77	-6	-7	-0
5b. Taught course sessions in an organized way	74	-8	-13	-1
5c. Used examples or illustrations to explain difficult points	73	-7	-10	-1
5d. Provided feedback on a draft or work in progress	65	-4	-4	+1
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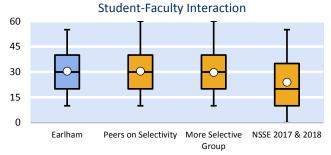
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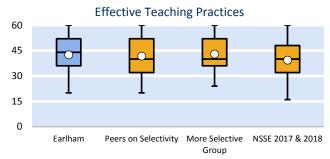
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		Peers on	More Selective	NSSE 2017 &				
Student-Faculty Interaction	Earlham	Selectivity	Group	2018				
Percentage of students who responded that they "Very often" or "Often"	%							
3a. Talked about career plans with a faculty member	62	+5	+9	+18				
3b. Worked w/faculty on activities other than coursework (committees, student groups, etc.)	38	-2	+1	+11				
3c. Discussed course topics, ideas, or concepts with a faculty member outside of class	54	+6	+2	+21				
3d. Discussed your academic performance with a faculty member	39	-2	+4	+6				
Effective Teaching Practices				•				
Percentage responding "Very much" or "Quite a bit" about how much instructors have								
5a. Clearly explained course goals and requirements	77	-8	-12	-3				
5b. Taught course sessions in an organized way	87	+4	+0	+10				
5c. Used examples or illustrations to explain difficult points	84	+1	-3	+8				
5d. Provided feedback on a draft or work in progress	71	+3	+3	+11				
5e. Provided prompt and detailed feedback on tests or completed assignments	81	+8	+5	+17				

a. Percentage point difference = Institution percentage - Comparison group percentage. Because results are rounded to whole numbers, differences of less than 1 point may or may not display a bar. Small, but nonzero differences may be represented as +0 or -0.



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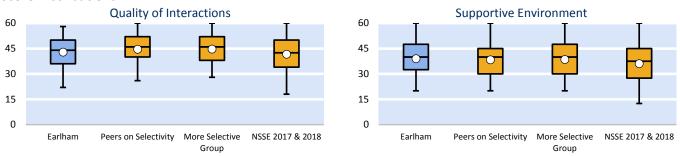
## **Campus Environment: First-year students**

Students benefit and are more satisfied in supportive settings that cultivate positive relationships among students, faculty, and staff. Two Engagement Indicators investigate this theme: *Quality of Interactions* and *Supportive Environment*. Below are three views of your results alongside those of your comparison groups.

Mean Comparisons			Your j	first-year stude	nts compared wi	th	
	Earlham	Peers or	Selectivity	More Sel	ective Group	NSSE 201	
			Effect		Effect		Effect
Engagement Indicator	Mean	Mean	size	Mean	size	Mean	size
Quality of Interactions	42.8	44.6	17	44.7	19	41.7	.09
Supportive Environment	39.0	38.3	.06	38.6	.04	36.1 **	.22

Notes: Results weighted by institution-reported sex and enrollment status (and institution size for comparison groups); Effect size: Mean difference divided by pooled standard deviation; Symbols on the Overview page are based on effect size and p before rounding; \*p < .05, \*\*p < .01, \*\*\*p < .001 (2-tailed).

#### **Score Distributions**



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### **Performance on Indicator Items**

The table below displays how your students responded to each EI item, and the difference, in percentage points, between your students and those of your comparison group. Blue bars indicate how much higher your institution's percentage is from that of the comparison group. Dark red bars indicate how much lower your institution's percentage is from that of the comparison group.

		ır FY students and		
		Peers on	More Selective	NSSE 2017 &
Quality of Interactions	Earlham	Selectivity	Group	2018
$Percentage\ rating\ their\ interactions\ a\ 6\ or\ 7\ (on\ a\ scale\ from\ l="Poor"\ to\ 7="Excellent")\ with$	%			
13a. Students	57	-0	-1	+7
13b. Academic advisors	58	+1	+8	+8
13c. Faculty	59	-3	-7	+10
13d. Student services staff (career services, student activities, housing, etc.)	30	-19	-23	-13
13e. Other administrative staff and offices (registrar, financial aid, etc.)	41	-9	-10	-2
Supportive Environment		·	•	
Percentage responding "Very much" or "Quite a bit" about how much the institution emphasized				
14b. Providing support to help students succeed academically	79	-3	-5	+3
14c. Using learning support services (tutoring services, writing center, etc.)	84	+3	+2	+8
14d. Encouraging contact among students from diff. backgrounds (soc., racial/eth., relig., etc.)	76	+12	+11	+14
14e. Providing opportunities to be involved socially	83	+5	+6	+12
14f. Providing support for your overall well-being (recreation, health care, counseling, etc.)	72	-3	-4	+3
14g. Helping you manage your non-academic responsibilities (work, family, etc.)	34	-8	-4	-8
14h. Attending campus activities and events (performing arts, athletic events, etc.)	73	+3	+5	+10
14i. Attending events that address important social, economic, or political issues	69	+4	-1	+18

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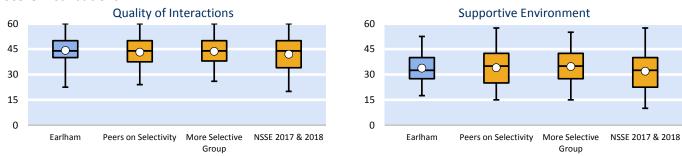
### **Campus Environment: Seniors**

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Mean Comparisons				Your seniors co	mpared with		
	Earlham	Peers or	Selectivity	More Sel	ective Group	NSSE 20	17 & 2018
			Effect		Effect		Effect
Engagement Indicator	Mean	Mean	size	Mean	size	Mean	size
Quality of Interactions	44.3	43.2	.10	43.7	.07	42.0	.19
Supportive Environment	33.8	34.1	02	34.7	08	32.0	.13

Notes: Results weighted by institution-reported sex and enrollment status (and institution size for comparison groups); Effect size: Mean difference divided by pooled standard deviation; Symbols on the Overview page are based on effect size and p before rounding; \*p < .05, \*\*p < .01, \*\*\*p < .001 (2-tailed).

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		Percentage poir	nt difference <sup>a</sup> between y	our seniors and
		Peers on	More Selective	NSSE 2017 &
Quality of Interactions	Earlham	Selectivity	Group	2018
$Percentage\ rating\ their\ interactions\ a\ 6\ or\ 7\ (on\ a\ scale\ from\ l="Poor"\ to\ 7="Excellent")\ with$	%			
13a. Students	68	+12	+10	+12
13b. Academic advisors	72	+10	+12	+22
13c. Faculty	75	+9	+7	+20
13d. Student services staff (career services, student activities, housing, etc.)	34	-6	-6	-7
13e. Other administrative staff and offices (registrar, financial aid, etc.)	25	-15	-13	-16
Supportive Environment		-		
Percentage responding "Very much" or "Quite a bit" about how much the institution emphasized				
14b. Providing support to help students succeed academically	65	-11	-12	-5
14c. Using learning support services (tutoring services, writing center, etc.)	65	-6	-4	-0
14d. Encouraging contact among students from diff. backgrounds (soc., racial/eth., relig., etc.)	70	+21	+18	+16
14e. Providing opportunities to be involved socially	66	-2	-4	+3
14f. Providing support for your overall well-being (recreation, health care, counseling, etc.)	50	-13	-16	-10
14g. Helping you manage your non-academic responsibilities (work, family, etc.)	15	-13	-11	-16
14h. Attending campus activities and events (performing arts, athletic events, etc.)	58	-4	-4	+7
14i. Attending events that address important social, economic, or political issues	74	+12	+7	+31

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## Comparisons with High-Performing Institutions Earlham College

## Comparisons with Top 50% and Top 10% Institutions

While NSSE's policy is not to rank institutions (see nsse.indiana.edu/html/position\_policies.cfm), the results below are designed to compare the engagement of your students with those attending two groups of institutions identified by NSSE<sup>a</sup> for their high average levels of student engagement:

- (a) institutions with average scores placing them in the top 50% of all 2017 and 2018 NSSE institutions, and
- (b) institutions with average scores placing them in the top 10% of all 2017 and 2018 NSSE institutions.

While the average scores for most institutions are below the mean for the top 50% or top 10%, your institution may show areas of distinction where your average student was as engaged as (or even more engaged than) the typical student at high-performing institutions. A check mark  $(\checkmark)$  signifies those comparisons where your average score was at least comparable to that of the high-performing group. However, the presence of a check mark does not necessarily mean that your institution was a member of that group.

It should be noted that most of the variability in student engagement is within, not between, institutions. Even "high-performing" institutions have students with engagement levels below the average for all institutions.

irst-Year	Students			Your first-ye	ar stude	nts compared with	1	
		Earlham	NSSE	Top 50%		NSSE T	op 10%	
Theme	Engagement Indicator	Mean	Mean	Effect size	✓	Mean	Effect size	$\checkmark$
	Higher-Order Learning	38.7	38.9	02	✓	40.5	14	
Academic	Reflective and Integrative Learning	37.1	36.5	.06	$\checkmark$	38.1	08	$\checkmark$
Challenge	Learning Strategies	36.2	39.5 *	24		41.6 ***	38	
	Quantitative Reasoning	25.2	28.7 *	23		30.4 ***	34	
Learning	Collaborative Learning	34.7	35.1	03	<b>√</b>	37.2 *	19	
with Peers	Discussions with Diverse Others	44.5	41.4 *	.21	✓	43.4	.07	$\checkmark$
Experiences	Student-Faculty Interaction	23.6	24.3	05	✓	27.2 **	23	
with Faculty	Effective Teaching Practices	38.6	40.3	13		42.0 **	25	
Campus	Quality of Interactions	42.8	43.9	09	<b>√</b>	45.9 **	25	
Environment	Supportive Environment	39.0	37.9	.08	$\checkmark$	39.7	05	$\checkmark$

Seniors				Your seniors	compared with		
		Earlham	NSSE T	Гор 50%	NSSE T	op 10%	
Theme	Engagement Indicator	Mean	Mean	Effect size ✓	Mean	Effect size	✓
	Higher-Order Learning	42.8	41.3	.11 ✓	42.5	.02	✓
Academic	Reflective and Integrative Learning	41.1	39.6	.13 ✓	41.1	.00	$\checkmark$
Challenge	Learning Strategies	37.7	40.2	17	42.3 **	33	
	Quantitative Reasoning	29.3	30.7	09 ✓	32.7	22	
Learning	Collaborative Learning	31.7	35.7 *	28	38.1 ***	47	
with Peers	Discussions with Diverse Others	43.7	41.9	.11 🗸	43.8	01	✓
Experiences	Student-Faculty Interaction	30.4	29.2	.07 ✓	33.3	18	
with Faculty	Effective Teaching Practices	42.4	41.1	.09 ✓	43.1	05	$\checkmark$
Campus	Quality of Interactions	44.3	44.4	01 ✓	46.5	18	
Environment	Supportive Environment	33.8	34.3	03 ✓	36.4 *	19	

Notes: Results weighted by institution-reported sex and enrollment status (and institution size for comparison groups); Effect size: Mean difference divided by the pooled standard deviation; \*p < .05, \*\*p < .01, \*\*\*p < .001 (2-tailed).

a. Precision-weighted means (produced by Hierarchical Linear Modeling) were used to determine the top 50% and top 10% institutions for each Engagement Indicator from all NSSE 2017 and 2018 institutions, separately by class. Using this method, Engagement Indicator scores of institutions with relatively large standard errors were adjusted toward the mean of all students, while those with smaller standard errors received smaller corrections. As a result, schools with less stable data—even those with high average scores—may not be among the top scorers. NSSE does not publish the names of the top 50% and top 10% institutions because of our commitment not to release institutional results and our policy against ranking institutions.

b. Check marks are assigned to comparisons that are either significant and positive, or non-significant with an effect size > -.10.



## **Detailed Statistics**<sup>a</sup> **Earlham College**

**Detailed Statistics: First-Year Students** 

_	Mea	ın statist	ics		Perce	ntile <sup>d</sup> sco	ores		Co	Comparison results			
	Maan	SD <sup>b</sup>	SEM <sup>c</sup>	5th	25th	50th	75th	95th	Deg. of freedom <sup>e</sup>	Mean diff.	Sig. <sup>f</sup>	Effect size <sup>g</sup>	
Academic Challenge	Mean	30	SEIVI	Stri	25tn	SULTI	75tn	95111	jreedom	uijj.	Siy.	Size	
Higher-Order Learning													
Earlham (N = 119)	38.7	11.2	1.02	15	30	40	45	55					
Peers on Selectivity	39.7	12.0	.20	20	30	40	50	60	3,697	-1.0	.361	085	
More Selective Group	40.9	11.7	.19	20	35	40	50	60	3,989	-2.3	.037	194	
NSSE 2017 & 2018	37.8	13.2	.02	20	30	40	45	60	118	-2.3	.410	.064	
Top 50%	38.9	13.1	.02	20	30	40	50	60	118	.o 3	.793	021	
Top 10%	40.5	13.3	.05	20	30	40	50	60	119	-1.8	.076	137	
Reflective & Integrative Learning	g												
Earlham $(N = 122)$	37.1	10.7	.97	20	31	37	46	57					
Peers on Selectivity	37.1	11.2	.18	20	29	37	46	57	3,870	.1	.949	.006	
More Selective Group	37.8	11.1	.17	20	30	37	46	57	4,152	6	.552	055	
NSSE 2017 & 2018	35.1	11.9	.02	17	26	34	43	57	459,825	2.1	.053	.175	
Top 50%	36.5	11.8	.02	17	29	37	43	57	242,427	.7	.519	.058	
Top 10%	38.1	12.0	.05	20	29	37	46	60	52,047	., 9	.400	076	
Learning Strategies													
Earlham (N = 115)	36.2	13.1	1.22	20	27	40	40	60					
Peers on Selectivity	38.4	12.8	.22	20	27	40	47	60	2 447	-2.1	.085	163	
More Selective Group	38.9	13.1	.22	20	27	40	47	60	3,447 3,637	-2.1 -2.7	.030	103	
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NSSE 2017 & 2018	38.0	13.7	.02	20	27	40	47 52	60	397,334	-1.8	.161	131	
Top 50%	39.5	13.7	.03	20	27	40	53	60	209,392	-3.3	.011	238	
Top 10%	41.6	14.1	.06	20	33	40	53	60	50,605	-5.4	.000	381	
Quantitative Reasoning													
Earlham $(N = 115)$	25.2	14.1	1.32	0	13	27	33	47					
Peers on Selectivity	28.0	14.8	.25	0	20	27	40	53	3,598	-2.8	.043	193	
More Selective Group	28.1	14.7	.24	0	20	27	40	53	3,904	-3.0	.034	202	
NSSE 2017 & 2018	27.5	15.3	.02	0	20	27	40	60	425,432	-2.3	.105	152	
Top 50%	28.7	15.2	.03	0	20	27	40	60	273,296	-3.5	.014	231	
Top 10%	30.4	15.3	.06	7	20	27	40	60	66,890	-5.2	.000	342	
Learning with Peers													
Collaborative Learning													
Earlham $(N = 125)$	34.7	12.4	1.11	15	25	35	45	55					
Peers on Selectivity	34.9	12.9	.21	15	25	35	45	60	4,013	2	.844	018	
More Selective Group	34.3	13.0	.20	15	25	35	40	60	4,334	.4	.739	.030	
NSSE 2017 & 2018	32.3	14.4	.02	10	20	30	40	60	124	2.4	.035	.164	
Top 50%	35.1	13.6	.03	15	25	35	45	60	285,071	5	.705	034	
Top 10%	37.2	13.6	.05	15	25	40	45	60	63,787	-2.6	.035	189	
Discussions with Diverse Others													
Earlham (N = 116)	44.5	13.6	1.26	20	35	45	55	60					
Peers on Selectivity	40.5	13.5	.23	20	30	40	50	60	3,478	4.0	.002	.295	
More Selective Group	41.4	13.0	.22	20	35	40	50	60	3,693	3.1	.012	.238	
NSSE 2017 & 2018	39.4	15.5	.02	15	30	40	55	60	400,734	5.1	.000	.329	
Top 50%	41.4	15.0	.03	15	30	40	55	60	260,991	3.1	.026	.207	
Top 10%	43.4	14.8	.06	20	35	45	60	60	58,068	1.1	.439	.072	
	.5.1	11.0	.50					30	20,000	1.1		.072	



## **Detailed Statistics**<sup>a</sup> **Earlham College**

### **Detailed Statistics: First-Year Students**

	Mea	n statist	ics		Percentile <sup>d</sup> scores			Comparison results				
									Deg. of	Mean		Effect
	Mean	SD <sup>b</sup>	SEM <sup>c</sup>	5th	25th	50th	75th	95th	freedom <sup>e</sup>	diff.	Sig. <sup>f</sup>	size <sup>g</sup>
Experiences with Faculty												
Student-Faculty Interaction												
Earlham $(N = 120)$	23.6	12.9	1.18	5	15	20	30	55				
Peers on Selectivity	23.5	13.5	.22	5	15	20	30	50	3,787	.0	.972	.003
More Selective Group	22.1	12.9	.21	5	15	20	30	45	4,042	1.5	.224	.113
NSSE 2017 & 2018	21.1	14.6	.02	0	10	20	30	50	119	2.5	.036	.171
Top 50%	24.3	14.8	.04	5	15	20	35	55	119	7	.570	045
Top 10%	27.2	15.8	.10	5	15	25	40	60	121	-3.6	.003	231
Effective Teaching Practices												
Earlham $(N = 119)$	38.6	11.8	1.09	20	32	40	48	60				
Peers on Selectivity	40.6	11.5	.19	20	32	40	48	60	3,694	-2.0	.065	172
More Selective Group	41.7	11.3	.18	24	36	40	52	60	3,980	-3.1	.003	278
NSSE 2017 & 2018	38.5	13.1	.02	16	28	40	48	60	436,630	.1	.905	.011
Top 50%	40.3	13.1	.03	20	32	40	52	60	191,105	-1.7	.164	127
Top 10%	42.0	13.7	.06	20	32	40	52	60	49,644	-3.4	.007	245
Campus Environment												<del></del>
Quality of Interactions												
Earlham $(N = 113)$	42.8	9.9	.93	22	36	44	50	58				
Peers on Selectivity	44.6	10.2	.18	26	40	46	52	60	3,347	-1.8	.069	174
More Selective Group	44.7	9.8	.17	28	38	46	52	60	3,515	-1.8	.052	186
NSSE 2017 & 2018	41.7	12.5	.02	18	34	43	50	60	112	1.2	.216	.093
Top 50%	43.9	11.6	.03	22	38	46	52	60	112	-1.1	.262	091
Top 10%	45.9	12.1	.07	22	40	48	56	60	113	-3.0	.002	251
Supportive Environment												
Earlham $(N = 114)$	39.0	11.3	1.06	20	33	40	48	60				
Peers on Selectivity	38.3	11.9	.21	20	30	40	45	60	3,329	.7	.548	.057
More Selective Group	38.6	11.8	.20	20	30	40	48	60	3,481	.4	.690	.038
NSSE 2017 & 2018	36.1	13.6	.02	13	28	38	45	60	113	2.9	.007	.216
Top 50%	37.9	13.2	.03	15	30	40	48	60	113	1.1	.323	.080
Top 10%	39.7	13.1	.06	18	30	40	50	60	113	7	.532	051

 $a. \ Results \ weighted \ by \ institution-reported \ sex \ and \ enrollment \ status \ (and \ institutional \ size \ for \ comparison \ groups).$ 

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b. Standard deviation is a measure of the amount the individual scores deviate from the mean of all the scores in the distribution.

c. Standard error of the mean, used to compute a confidence interval (CI) around the sample mean. For example, the 95% CI (equal to the sample mean  $\pm$ 1.96 x SEM) is the range that is 95% likely to contain the true population mean.

d. A percentile is the point in the distribution of student-level EI scores at or below which a given percentage of EI scores fall.

e. Degrees of freedom used to compute the t-tests. Values vary from the total Ns due to weighting and whether equal variances were assumed.

f. Statistical significance represents the probability that the difference between the mean of your institution and that of the comparison group occurred by chance.

g. Effect size is the mean difference divided by the pooled standard deviation.



## **Detailed Statistics**<sup>a</sup> **Earlham College**

**Detailed Statistics: Seniors** 

	Mea	n statist	ics	Percentile <sup>d</sup> scores				Comparison results				
	Mean	SD <sup>b</sup>	SEM <sup>c</sup>	5th	25th	50th	75th	95th	Deg. of freedom <sup>e</sup>	Mean diff.	Sig. <sup>f</sup>	Effect size <sup>g</sup>
Academic Challenge	Weun	30	SLIVI	501	2501	30011	7501	9501	jreedom	uijj.	Jig.	3126
Higher-Order Learning												
Earlham $(N = 67)$	42.8	12.5	1.53	20	35	45	55	60				
Peers on Selectivity	41.5	12.2	.21	20	35	40	50	60	3,386	1.3	.383	.108
More Selective Group	42.1	11.6	.20	20	35	40	50	60	3,370	.7	.642	.057
NSSE 2017 & 2018	39.8	13.7	.02	20	30	40	50	60	521,733	2.9	.078	.215
Top 50%	41.3	13.7	.03	20	35	40	55	60	244,388	1.4	.382	.107
Top 10%	42.5	13.7	.05	20	35	40	55	60	73,475	.3	.850	.023
Reflective & Integrative Learni	ng											
Earlham $(N = 69)$	41.1	13.1	1.57	20	31	40	54	60				
Peers on Selectivity	40.4	11.4	.19	20	31	40	49	60	71	.7	.661	.061
More Selective Group	40.9	11.3	.19	20	34	40	49	60	71	.2	.885	.020
NSSE 2017 & 2018	37.8	12.4	.02	17	29	37	46	60	543,572	3.3	.027	.265
Top 50%	39.6	12.2	.02	20	31	40	49	60	238,431	1.6	.283	.129
Top 10%	41.1	12.2	.05	20	33	40	51	60	50,781	.0	.997	.000
Learning Strategies												
Earlham $(N = 63)$	37.7	14.1	1.77	13	27	40	47	60				
Peers on Selectivity	37.6	13.5	.24	13	27	40	47	60	3,225	.1	.957	.007
More Selective Group	37.1	13.3	.24	20	27	40	47	60	3,137	.6	.730	.044
NSSE 2017 & 2018	38.3	14.5	.02	13	27	40	47	60	483,367	6	.747	041
Top 50%	40.2	14.4	.03	20	33	40	53	60	258,591	-2.5	.172	172
Top 10%	42.3	14.2	.05	20	33	40	53	60	69,801	-4.6	.010	325
Quantitative Reasoning												
Earlham $(N = 64)$	29.3	17.2	2.15	7	20	27	40	60				
Peers on Selectivity	31.0	16.3	.29	0	20	33	40	60	3,292	-1.8	.391	108
More Selective Group	32.1	16.8	.29	0	20	33	40	60	3,314	-2.8	.178	170
NSSE 2017 & 2018	29.6	16.1	.02	0	20	27	40	60	512,073	3	.863	022
Top 50%	30.7	16.0	.03	0	20	33	40	60	334,319	-1.4	.479	088
Top 10%	32.7	15.7	.06	7	20	33	40	60	72,996	-3.4	.084	216
Learning with Peers												
Collaborative Learning												
Earlham $(N = 69)$	31.7	11.3	1.37	15	25	30	40	50				
Peers on Selectivity	35.6	13.1	.22	15	25	35	45	60	3,561	-3.9	.015	298
More Selective Group	35.6	13.2	.22	15	25	35	45	60	3,596	-3.9	.016	294
NSSE 2017 & 2018	32.5	15.0	.02	5	20	30	45	60	68	7	.588	049
Top 50%	35.7	13.9	.02	15	25	35	45	60	313,535	-3.9	.018	285
Top 10%	38.1	13.5	.06	15	30	40	50	60	52,247	-6.3	.000	471
Discussions with Diverse Othe												
Earlham $(N = 64)$	43.7	12.8	1.60	25	35	45	50	60				
Peers on Selectivity	38.6	13.3	.24	20	30	40	50	60	3,245	5.1	.003	.381
More Selective Group	40.2	13.0	.23	20	30	40	50	60	3,171	3.5	.034	.267
NSSE 2017 & 2018	40.3	15.8	.02	15	30	40	55	60	63	3.4	.040	.212
Top 50%	41.9	15.6	.03	15	30	40	60	60	63	1.7	.286	.110
Top 10%	43.8	15.5	.05	20	35	45	60	60	63	2	.925	010



## **Detailed Statistics**<sup>a</sup> **Earlham College**

**Detailed Statistics: Seniors** 

	Mea	n statist	ics		Percentile <sup>d</sup> score				Co	mparison	results	
				-					Deg. of	Mean		Effect
	Mean	SD <sup>b</sup>	SEM <sup>c</sup>	5th	25th	50th	75th	95th	freedom <sup>e</sup>	diff.	Sig. <sup>f</sup>	size <sup>g</sup>
Experiences with Faculty												
Student-Faculty Interaction												
Earlham $(N = 69)$	30.4	14.8	1.79	10	20	30	40	55				
Peers on Selectivity	30.4	14.6	.25	10	20	30	40	60	3,430	.0	1.000	.000
More Selective Group	29.6	14.3	.25	10	20	30	40	60	3,424	.7	.673	.051
NSSE 2017 & 2018	23.9	15.9	.02	0	10	20	35	55	530,094	6.4	.001	.405
Top 50%	29.2	15.8	.04	5	20	30	40	60	135,015	1.2	.538	.074
Top 10%	33.3	16.1	.12	10	20	35	45	60	17,217	-2.9	.137	180
Effective Teaching Practices												
Earlham $(N = 66)$	42.4	12.4	1.53	20	36	44	52	60				
Peers on Selectivity	41.7	11.9	.21	20	32	40	52	60	3,381	.8	.613	.063
More Selective Group	42.9	11.3	.20	24	36	40	52	60	3,365	5	.747	040
NSSE 2017 & 2018	39.4	13.7	.02	16	32	40	48	60	523,392	3.0	.071	.223
Top 50%	41.1	13.6	.03	16	32	40	52	60	211,762	1.3	.453	.093
Top 10%	43.1	13.7	.07	20	36	44	56	60	43,410	7	.686	050
Campus Environment												
Quality of Interactions												
Earlham $(N = 62)$	44.3	9.7	1.24	23	40	44	50	60				
Peers on Selectivity	43.2	10.4	.19	24	38	44	50	60	3,197	1.1	.425	.103
More Selective Group	43.7	9.6	.17	26	38	44	50	60	3,115	.6	.610	.065
NSSE 2017 & 2018	42.0	12.3	.02	20	34	44	50	60	61	2.3	.065	.189
Top 50%	44.4	11.9	.03	22	38	46	54	60	61	1	.933	009
Top 10%	46.5	12.3	.06	22	40	50	58	60	61	-2.2	.078	181
Supportive Environment												
Earlham $(N = 61)$	33.8	9.8	1.25	18	28	33	40	53				
Peers on Selectivity	34.1	12.3	.22	15	25	35	43	58	64	3	.825	023
More Selective Group	34.7	11.7	.21	15	28	35	43	55	3,052	9	.547	078
NSSE 2017 & 2018	32.0	14.1	.02	10	23	33	40	58	60	1.8	.156	.128
Top 50%	34.3	13.7	.03	13	25	35	43	60	60	5	.709	034
Top 10%	36.4	13.7	.07	13	28	38	45	60	60	-2.5	.047	185

a. Results weighted by institution-reported sex and enrollment status (and institutional size for comparison groups).

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b. Standard deviation is a measure of the amount the individual scores deviate from the mean of all the scores in the distribution.

c. Standard error of the mean, used to compute a confidence interval (CI) around the sample mean. For example, the 95% CI (equal to the sample mean  $\pm$ 1.96 x SEM) is the range that is 95% likely to contain the true population mean.

d. A percentile is the point in the distribution of student-level EI scores at or below which a given percentage of EI scores fall.

e. Degrees of freedom used to compute the t-tests. Values vary from the total Ns due to weighting and whether equal variances were assumed.

f. Statistical significance represents the probability that the difference between the mean of your institution and that of the comparison group occurred by chance.

g. Effect size is the mean difference divided by the pooled standard deviation.